

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

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1. (cancelled)

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8. (cancelled)

9. (previously presented) A method of preparing a cross-linked polyether polymeric electrolyte comprising:

mixing a pre-polymer having a polyethylene oxide backbone and terminated with NCO, with a cross-linking agent selected from the group consisting of glycerol ethoxylate and glycerol propoxylate, an organic solvent and a lithium salt, to obtain a mixture and

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